

Meeting of the Castle Dale City Council
June 9, 2015

In attendance:

Mayor	Danny Van Wagoner
Council:	Brad Giles
	Joel Dorsch
	Dixie Thompson
	Doug Weaver
	Julie Johansen

Recorder:	Lael White
Fire Chief	Ignacio Arrien
Code Enforcement:	Doug Moreno
Land Use	Kerry Lake

Also in attendance was Rachel from ETV News.

Mayor Van Wagoner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Dixie Thompson gave an opening statement.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes from the June 14, 2015, City Council Meeting.

Dixie Thompson a statement that her motion about the baseball field usage was not seconded. Brad Giles corrected some names and wording in the section about the water rate increase. Dixie made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Doug Weaver seconded the motion. All agreed and the minutes were accepted.

Approval of Temporary Employees for Cemetery

Mayor Van Wagoner: This project is contingent on approval of the budget.

Ignacio Arrien explained the project to level the uneven ground in the Cemetery to make it even with the lay of the land. The workers will fill in depressions less than 5" with sand. On depressions more than 5" they will remove the sod, fill in, and then replace the sod. They will pour new footers for the headstones as needed. This project will possibly take 5 years to finish. We don't know how much can get done this year.

Mayor Van Wagoner: We want the citizens to see that we are making a big effort on the Cemetery.

Dixie Thompson made a motion to approve hiring two Contract workers for this project. Brad Giles seconded the motion.

Joel Dorsch, yes; Dixie Thompson, yes; Brad Giles, yes; Julie Johansen, yes; Doug Weaver, yes. The motion passed.

Donation to County Fair

Mayor Van Wagoner: My feeling is that we already donate a lot to the County Fair that they don't know about. This was a letter sent to all Cities.

Dixie Thompson made a motion to not make a monetary donation. Doug Weaver seconded the motion. All agreed and the motion passed.

Kerry Lake Council Approval to be Spokesperson to BLM

Kerry passed out a list of BLM requirements before they will sell property. The Council decided to use the property for Recreation purposes.

Dixie Thompson made a motion to authorize Kerry Lake as the City's Spokesperson to the BLM to acquire a lease of property to be used for recreation. Doug Weaver seconded the motion. All agreed, and the motion passed.

Review and Discuss Proposed Budget

The Council discussed the budget.

Joel Dorsch asked about a 5% pay increase for the maintenance workers. Mayor Van Wagoner said they had a 3 ½ % increase with the premium for health insurance which the city pays 100%. Ferron City employees pay 8% of their premiums. The Mayor is talking with the County about the Cities joining their health insurance program. Some changes were made increasing the amount for weed control.

Ignacio Arrien wanted to make sure that funds for a compressor, a new truck and a grass aerator were in the budget. The Mayor said they were.

Julie Johansen asked about renting a space in another building for City Hall. Joel Dorsch asked about the \$50,000 for the new building, and if we can afford it. Mayor Van Wagoner stated that the current building is falling apart. We are going in with other entities, and it will be cost effective. The County Building is also very old, and will need to be replaced soon.

Dixie Thompson made a motion to accept the budget as revised. Doug Weaver seconded the motion. All agreed, and the motion passed.

City Branding Logo

Mayor Van Wagoner presented the branding phrase "Get Dirty With Us". We have a lot of opportunities for hiking, 4 wheelers, bouldering, mountain biking, and other activities to bring visitors in. We have purchased the domain name getdirtywithus.org to use, and also getdirtywithus.com. Roger Brooks from the State is helping by training us in turning us toward tourism. The State Rural Planning Committee is also helping us. A trifold brochure for activities in Castle Dale is being developed.

Dixie Thompson made a motion to accept the City Branding Logo. Brand Giles seconded the motion. All agreed, and the motion passed.

Land Use Committee

Kerry Lake: We didn't have a meeting this month. We will have one next month, with a Public Hearing. Lael reminded Kerry that LeAnne needs to post agendas on the public website.

Ordinance Enforcement.

Doug Moreno: I have talked to a lot of people about water violations. They have clarification on the International Fire Code, and how it applies to single family homes. There are two ways we can approach abandoned houses. One is the Fire Code, and one is the Abatement of Nuisance Weeds ordinance. The Ordinance is very vague. We need to tighten it up.

Fire Dept/City Report

Ignacio Arrien: We have lost some firefighters. Some have moved away. I am going to make a flyer and distribute it door to door for recruitment. Julie Johansen asked to include CERT volunteers on the flyer.

On June 17 the Fire Dept is going to do live fire training on the old house on 100 north. Then we will burn it down on June 18th.

Council Reports

Joel Dorsch: I will need help tomorrow. We will close the office at 3:30.

Dixie Thompson: We were missing some flags for the Veterans on Memorial Day. We found some of the missing ones, and will order some new ones.

Julie Johansen: At the LEPC meeting they announced an open house at the new chemical plant in Cleveland. They will discuss safety.

Mayor Van Wagoner: House Bill 362. We are asked to put this on the November Ballot. It is a fuel tax change. Instead of 24 cents, it will be a 12% tax.

I have talked with Lon Huntsman about the Eagle Scout Project. He has changed the location of his shooting range project, and it will be within City limits now.

Brad Giles made a motion to adjourn, Dixie Thompson seconded the motion. All agreed, and the meeting was adjourned.